

FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
**HOUSE BILL NO. 756**  
**103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

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**AN ACT**

To repeal section 483.083, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to compensation of circuit clerks.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 483.083, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 483.083, to read as follows:

483.083. 1. **(1)** Each circuit clerk shall annually receive as compensation the following amounts as base salary:

~~[(1)]~~ **(a)** In counties of the first classification, ~~[thirty-six thousand one hundred forty-five dollars;]~~ except those counties where court is held in two cities, in which instance an additional four thousand dollars shall be added to the base salary:

**a. Before September 1, 2025, thirty-six thousand one hundred forty-five dollars; and**

**b. Beginning on September 1, 2025, ninety-four thousand three hundred thirty dollars;**

~~[(2)]~~ **(b)** In all counties of the second or fourth classification:

**a. Before September 1, 2025, thirty-one thousand nine hundred seventy-eight dollars; except those counties where court is held in two cities, thirty-five thousand five hundred forty-nine dollars; and**

**b. Beginning on September 1, 2025, ninety thousand five hundred seventy-three dollars; and**

~~[(3)]~~ **(c)** In the counties of the third classification:

**a. Before September 1, 2025, twenty-seven thousand two hundred eighteen dollars except those counties where court is held in two cities; thirty thousand three hundred eight**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

19 dollars; except Marion County circuit clerks, district one and district two in Hannibal, thirty-  
20 one thousand three hundred eighty-three dollars; and

21 **b. Beginning on September 1, 2025, eighty-five thousand five hundred sixty-five**  
22 **dollars.**

23 ~~[(4) In the city of St. Louis, sixty-seven thousand three hundred sixty dollars;~~

24 ~~(5)]~~ (2) The compensation of circuit clerks provided by **subdivision (1) of** this  
25 subsection shall annually be increased by an amount equivalent to the annual salary  
26 adjustment approved pursuant to section 476.405 for employees of the judicial department.

27 **(3) The annual salary of a circuit clerk shall not be less than the previous yearly**  
28 **compensation.**

29 2. Such circuit clerks shall receive in addition to any salary provided by this section  
30 any salary adjustment provided pursuant to section 476.405.

31 3. ~~[In the event the judge orders child support payments in Marion County to be made~~  
32 ~~through the clerk, the clerk shall annually, on or before February first of each year, charge ten~~  
33 ~~dollars per year to each such person so obligated to make child support payments, which fee~~  
34 ~~shall be paid to the state.~~

35 4.] Payment of the compensation provided in this section shall be payable in equal  
36 monthly installments, except that the salary of the circuit clerk of the city of St. Louis shall be  
37 paid in semimonthly installments and except that all such compensation paid by the state shall  
38 be paid ~~in~~ installments as provided in section 33.100. The compensation of all circuit clerks  
39 shall be paid by the state and they shall be considered state employees for all purposes except  
40 the manner of their selection, appointment, or removal from office; except that, the circuit  
41 clerk of the city of St. Louis, the circuit clerk of St. Louis County, and the court administrator  
42 of Jackson County shall continue to be paid by the city and those counties and shall not  
43 become state employees, but the city of St. Louis, St. Louis County, and Jackson County shall  
44 ~~each~~ be paid an amount which is equivalent to a circuit clerk's salary as provided in  
45 subsection 3 of section 483.015.

46 ~~[5-]~~ 4. The compensation provided in this section shall be in lieu of all fees, and all  
47 fees collected shall be paid over to the state or to the counties and the city of St. Louis as  
48 otherwise provided by law.

49 **5. The salary adjustments provided by this section shall not be effective unless**  
50 **an initial appropriation necessary to fully fund the adjustments is approved by the**  
51 **general assembly and the governor.**

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